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1. FRENCH DEL HAS QUESTIONED REQUIREMENT OF QUARTERLY VISITS FOR THREE YEARS INSTEAD OF FOR SIX, SINCE US HAS UPHELD VIEW THAT VISITS SHOULD BE FOR SIX YEARS WHERE 3330-TYPE EQUIPMENT WAS INVOLVED. HE REFERRED TO US STATEMENTS DURING COMPUTER TALKS LAST DECEMBER AND RECORDED IN DOC. REV (71) 1565/34, PENULTIMATE PARAGRAPH.

2. THE FRENCH HAVE RAISED A VALID POINT WHICH REQUIRES CLARIFICATION. EVEN IF THE SYSTEM'S PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS BRING IT WITHIN THE PURVIEW OF NOTE 12(H)(2), CONSISTENCY WITH OFT-REPEATED US POSITIONS ON 3330 DRIVES SHOULD MAKE SUBPARAGRAPH (H)(3) APPLY, REQUIRING QUARTERLY VISITS FOR SIX YEARS.

3. WHILE RECOGNIZING THE PROBLEM POSED FOR US LICENSING OFFICIALS, US DEL RECOMMENDS RAISING THE VISITING REQUIREMENT TO SIX YEARS AND A STATEMENT TO COCOM ANNOUNCING OUR INTENTION OF SO DOING, WITH PERHAPS AN EXPLANATION.

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TION OF THE QUANDARY WHICH PRODUCED THE ORIGINAL DECI-

SION ON ONLY THREE YEARS. ANY OTHER COURSE OF ACTION
WOULD BE HARD TO RECONCILE WITH PREVIOUS US POSITIONS
ON SAFEGUARDS FOR 3330 DRIVES AND MIGHT CAUSE NEEDLESS
CONFUSION IN THE INTERPRETATION OF NOTE 12, ALREADY
COMPLICATED ENOUGH.
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